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DOOLAN FRAME HOUSE Oldtown, Maryland ca. 1880

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

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DISTRICT	PUBLIC	XOCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE	MUSEUM
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SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT	RELIGIOUS
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	YES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED	INDUSTRIAL	TRANSPORTATI
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CONDITION

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\_\_EXCELLENT

XFAIR

\_\_DETERIORATED

\_\_UNEXPOSED

\_\_GOOD \_\_\_RUINS

XUNÁLTERED \_\_ALTERED

XORIGINAL SITE

\_MOVED

DATE

#### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Doolan Frame House is located just west of the intersection of Greensprings Road and Main Street in Oldtown, Allegany County, on the North Side of the street.

The Doolan House is a two story, three bay wide "L" shaped frame building. It is covered in weatherboard and supported by a low stone foundation with a plain water table. The windows are one over one lights with wooden trim and cornices. The roof is gabled and covered with tin. Small circular ventilaters ornament the gables. The northern gable is ornamented by a barge board. The main entrance is located on the south side and is verticle panaled with a transom light. A three bay wide porch covers the main entrance. The porch has a hipped roof which is supported by Roman Doric columns. The entire porch is supported by four brick supports. The building has two original brick chimneys located on the inside end and the interior of the residence.

The house is in fair condition and retains most of its original fabric and appearance.

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_1500-1599	AGRICULTURE	ECONOMICS	LITERATURE	SCULPTURE
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X1800-1899	COMMERCE	EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	PHILOSOPHY	_TRANSPORTATION
_1900-	COMMUNICATIONS	_INDUSTRY	POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	_OTHER (SPECIFY)
		_INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

#### STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Doolan House, located on Main Street in Oldtown, is a typical example of rural architecture in Allegany County. In all probability it was constructed in the latter half of the 19th Century. Like numerous other houses in the county it is two stories high, three bays wide with a gabled roof. Also typical of homes built in the vernacular tradition are the two circular ventilaters located in the gable ends.

In the early 20th Century the Doolan House was remodeled by the addition of commercial front on the main facade of the building in order to facilitate its use as a store. This has since been removed. 1

Interview with Rev. Irving Allen, Oldtown, Historian 9/14/76

## 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 301 x 801

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

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NAME / TITLE

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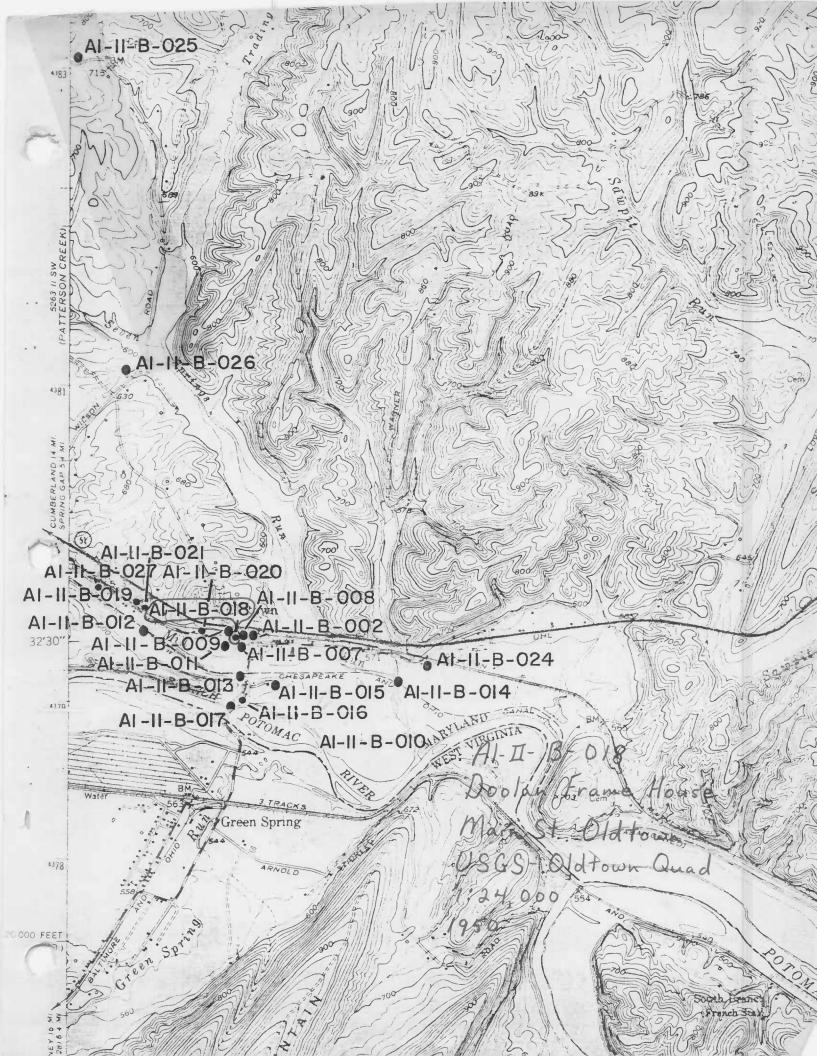
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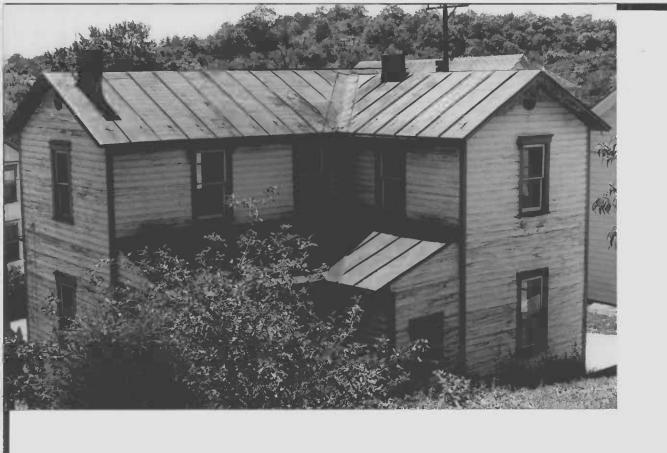
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